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MANZANILLO, STATE OF COLIMA, MEXICO

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1. Mexico's Federal Electricity Commission-CFE (Comision Federal de Electricidad) and the Energy Regulatory Commission-CRE (Comision Reguladora de Energia) have announced that the Port of Manzanillo, will be the site to build Mexico's fourth LNG storage and regasification facility.

2. Mexico's Energy Regulatory Commission already has awarded three permits to build such facilities. The companies that have received them are: Shell (plant is under construction in the Port of Altamira, State of Tamaulipas); Semptra (plant to be build in the city of Ensenada, State of Baja California); and ChevronTexaco (plant to be build at the Coronado Islands, State of Baja California).

3. According to CFE, during the second quarter of 2005, the international tenders for the Manzanillo project to be published are:

-Tender for Natural Gas Supply;

-Tender for Construction of the regasification plant;

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-Tender for the natural gas pipeline from Manzanillo to the city of Guadalajara, State of Jalisco; and  
-Tender for converting the existing Manzanillo power plant to a combined cycle plant.

4. The project's investment is over US\$900 million, of which 50 percent is estimated to be in equipment to build the port facility, storage tanks, piping, pumps, re-condenser, seawater and wastewater treatment plants, seawater vaporizer, power plant, metering station, etc.

5. U.S. companies interested in participating in the above tenders should contact:

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